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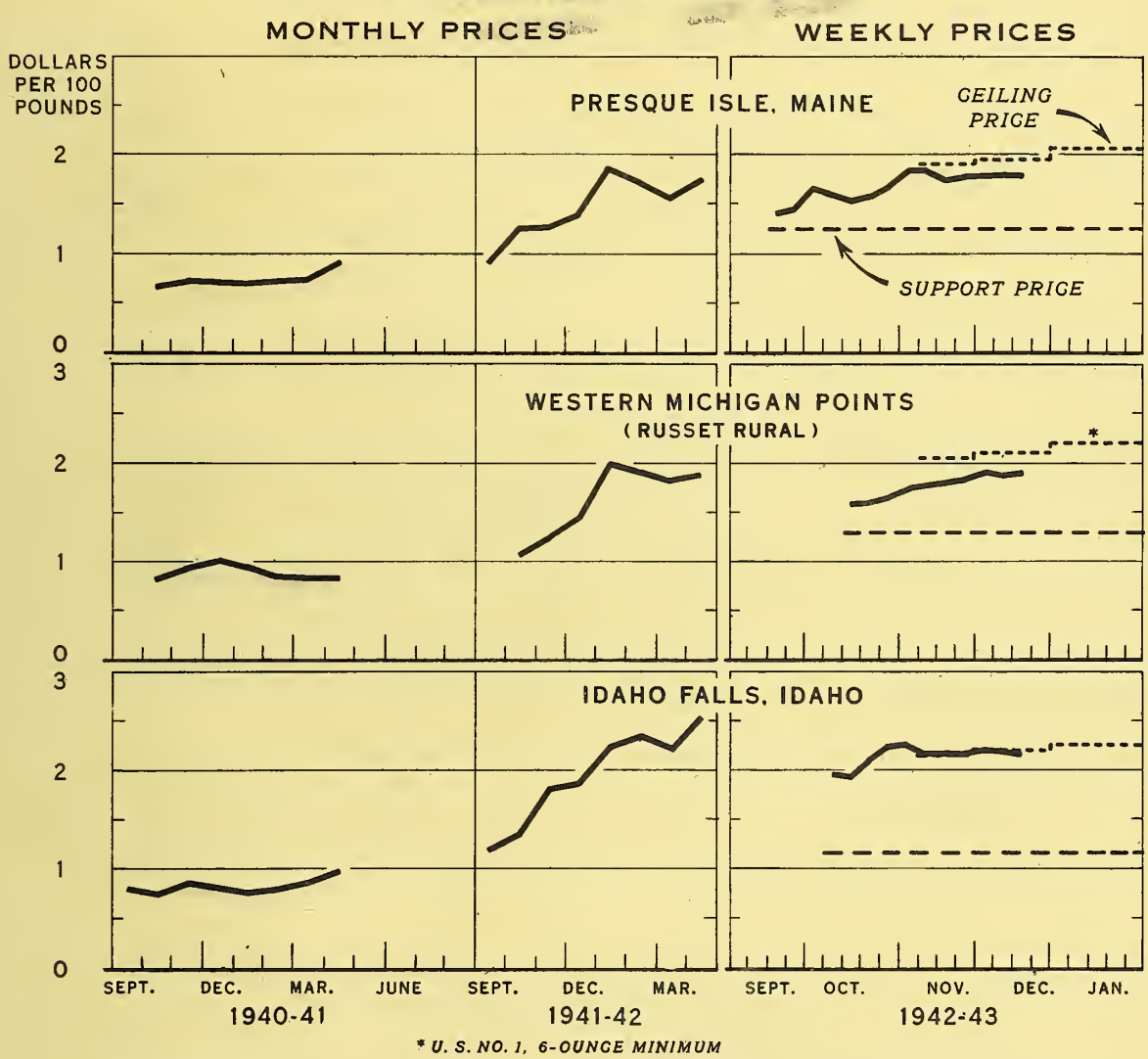

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Potato prices at most Western shipping points are very near ceiling levels. On the other hand, at Northeastern and North Central shipping points prices have been increasing steadily but are still 15 to 20 cents per 100 pounds below ceiling prices.

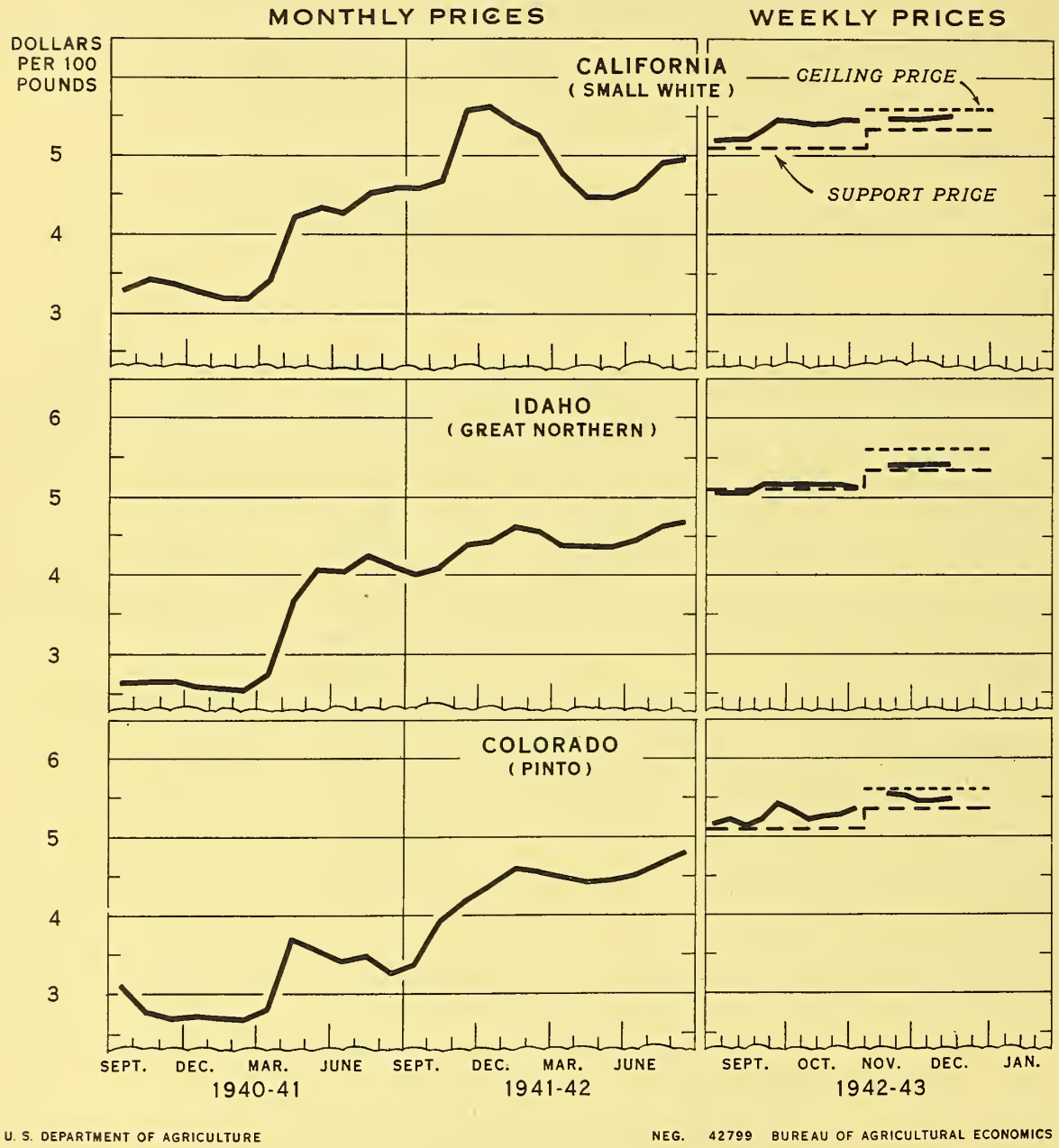

Figure 1.- Bean prices at Western shipping points are fairly steady between the support and ceiling-price levels. Relatively large sales are still being made at support-price levels.

THE VEGETABLE SITUATION

Summary

Potato prices are near the ceiling levels at western shipping points, and northeastern and midwest shipping-point prices, although still below ceiling levels, have been increasing steadily since September. The rapid movement of potatoes this season probably is attributable primarily to larger production, ceiling prices, and increased carlot shipments resulting from lack of motor trucks. The estimated 1942 potato crop of 371 million bushels is only 4 percent larger than the 1941 crop, and is small in view of greatly expanded Government and civilian demands.

Dry bean prices are being supported at $5.35 per 100 pounds for U. S. No. 1 grade in carlots, f.o.b. country shipping points, and at $5.20 for U. S. No. 2 grade. Prices of U. S. No. 1 dry beans are averaging somewhat above the support levels, although quantity sales are being made at the Government support prices. The dry bean crop was estimated in December at 19.6 million bags, only a million bags larger than in 1941. Lend-lease, military, and other Government requirements for beans have expanded to such an extent that the Department is extremely anxious for farmers to achieve the 1943 dry bean production goal.

The 1942 truck crop season was very successful. Tonnage of vegetables produced was about 10 percent greater than in 1941. An increased demand, however, more than offset the influence of the larger crop, and season-average prices to growers were about 25 percent above the previous season.

Acreages indicated for most fall vegetable crops are much smaller than last season and production indicated to date is about 9 percent smaller.

Prices have increased steadily in recent months and are likely to continue at relatively high levels, in view of prospects for a smaller fall crop and a strong demand for fresh vegetables.

Record packs of most major canning vegetables were produced in 1942. Production of vegetables for processing exceeded that of 1941 by 13 percent. As a result of greatly increased demand for most canning vegetables, prices received by growers were roughly 35 percent above those of 1941.

The present outlook is for relatively small civilian supplies of canned vegetables from the 1943 pack, even if the pack should be as large as in 1942. Large Government requirements and the resulting reduction in civilian supplies will make rationing necessary to insure equitable distribution of available canned vegetables at ceiling prices.

-- December 30, 1942

POTATOES

Prices at Ceilings at Western Shipping Points

Potato prices at most western shipping points are up to ceiling prices, or only slightly below those levels. Northeastern and midwest shipping-point prices have increased steadily since September, but generally are still 15 to 20 cents per 100 pounds below ceiling levels. This situation may be attributed to the greatly stimulated demand for good quality western baking potatoes and to the fact that estimates of the 1942 crop in the Northeast and North Central States, according to the December crop report, were about 5.5 million bushels too high. The reduced estimate represents a decrease of more than 3 percent for the Northeast and North Central surplus States, which may prove very stimulating to prices in these States.

Potato prices generally for November and December have risen to a level well above last season and may be expected to continue to rise with the seasonal adjustment in ceiling prices. Only about 3,300 bags of potatoes were purchased under the 1942 price-support program for potatoes. However, well over 200,000 bags have been purchased by the Agricultural Marketing Administration for lend-lease use and other purposes. A few growers may avail themselves of Commodity Credit Corporation loans made available November 20 to implement support prices announced by the Department last spring. This loan program is expected to take only a small portion of the funds set aside for that purpose.

Movement Rapid from Late-Surplus States

Shipments from late-surplus States indicate that potatoes are moving quite rapidly, at or under ceiling prices and with greatly increased demand. Although the latest estimates for 1942 production point to an increase of only 3 percent from the 1941 season for the late-surplus States, shipments from these States through December 20 were 21 percent larger than in the previous season. Some of this increased movement, of course, is attributable to the increase in size of the crop and to the fact that the current transportation situation is encouraging rail shipments. Moreover, western potato prices being near the ceilings probably has been a contributing factor to the rapid movement from Western States. Shipments from Maine and New York have been heavy, although production is down and prices are below ceilings. This situation may be due to the fact that 1942 production estimates have been too high in the Northeast. A few cars of new potatoes are beginning to move out of Southern California and Florida.

Estimated Potato Crop 8.5 Million Bushels Below November 1 Indication

Production for 1942 is estimated at 371 million bushels, compared with the November 1 estimate of 379.6 million. Most of the decrease occurred in the three East and five Central late-surplus States consisting of the northern tier of States from Maine to North Dakota. Recent estimates reduce the crop in the three Northeastern late-surplus States to 87.1 million bushels, 5 percent below 1941.

The 1942 potato crop, although 4 percent larger than the 1941 crop, is small in view of greatly expanded Government and civilian demands for potatoes. Because these demands are expected to increase during 1943, the Department is very anxious that the 1943 production goal for potatoes be achieved. The acreage goal for 1943 is tentatively set at 10 percent above last year. Moreover, the Secretary has announced that potato prices will be supported at least at 90 percent of the parity price, as of the beginning of the marketing year. In view of the greatly expanding needs for potatoes, it is important that ample supplies be provided.

SWEETPOTATOES

Price Pattern Varied

Wholesale prices of Goldens and Jerseys from Atlantic Coast States during recent months were below those for last season, while prices for Puerto Ricans and Nancy Halls from central producing States, on both the Chicago and New York markets, were higher than in 1941. Sweetpotato prices on the Chicago market were generally stronger than in New York. An examination of production figures shows that the crop in the Central Atlantic and Lower Atlantic States was about one-fourth larger than in 1941, whereas the central States crop was 9 percent smaller than in 1941. This variation in the supply picture and the apparent lack of variety substitution, as well as possible quality differentials, were of primary importance in determining the price pattern. Relatively favorable prices for Nancy Halls and Puerto Ricans may be expected to continue.

In order to stimulate the slow sweetpotato market, the Agricultural Marketing Administration has purchased for relief distribution about 640 cars of sweetpotatoes this year, compared with 755 cars purchased for this purpose last season.

DRY EDIBLE BEANS

Prices Steady Between Ceiling and Support Levels

Although prices are averaging higher than Government support prices, quantity sales are being made at the support price level. The Government has been an active purchaser of dry beans this season. The season opened with a support price of $5.10 per 100 pounds f.o.b. country shipping points for specified varieties. Later, under provisions of price stabilization legislation 1/, the Department announced on November 5 that specified market classes of dry beans would be supported at the market level of $5.35 per 100 pounds for U.S. No. 1 grade.

Dry edible beans: Government purchases, 1941-42 1/

Period	Quantity	F.o.b. cost
	1,000 pounds	1,000 dollars
Mar. 15, 1941 to Aug. 31, 1941	179,408	7,595
Sept. 1, 1941 to Aug. 31, 1942	257,626	11,489
September 1942	34,890	1,772
October 1942	72,999	3,694
November 1942	81,782	4,292

From records of the Agricultural Marketing Administration, United States Department of Agriculture.
1/ Preliminary.

The movement of beans is evidently quite rapid. With greatly expanded noncivilian requirements for beans, it seems likely that prices generally will continue at or very near ceiling levels.

1942 Crop Larger Than 1941 Crop by Million Bags

Indicated production of dry beans has declined steadily since September. Latest estimates put the crop at 19.6 million bags, which is only 1 million bags more than the 1941 crop. This reduction, along with greatly increased demand resulting from need for contingency reserves and the increased military and lend-lease requirements, may reduce per capita civilian supplies for the 1942-43 marketing season to below the amounts consumed in recent years.

1/ Section 4 of Public Law 147, 77th Congress, was amended by Sec. 9(a) of Public Law 729, 77th Congress. Among other things, the act raises the support price to 90 percent of the parity price from 85 percent.

The 1943 goals call for sharp increases in the output of dry beans. The Department is asking that at least 2,800,000 acres be planted in 1943, compared with about 2,100,000 acres planted in 1942. Because it is imperative that supplies of dry beans be ample, the Department is very anxious that the 1943 goal be attained. Announcements already have been made, supporting bean prices at least at present support levels. Plans to bring out the desired acreage are now being considered. Because of the desirable qualities of beans, namely, the fact that they are a good food and are easy to transport and store, large supplies are needed to meet military, lend-lease, and civilian requirements.

TRUCK CROPS

Review of 1942 Season

The large fund of buying power, created by increased income and by diversion of buying power from commodities that are either rationed or in short supply, greatly increased the demand for fresh vegetables in 1942. This expansion in demand raised the index of fresh vegetable prices by 23 points (93 to 116), despite an increase of 9 points in the index of production. 1/

Higher season-average farm prices were reported for all major vegetables except onions and cabbage. The season-average farm price of onions was only $1.77 per 100 pounds, compared with $2.26 last season. This price decline was caused primarily by a 22 percent increase in the onion crop. The farm price of cabbage for market was $16.47 per ton, compared with $20.87 for the 1941 season. This decline may be attributed to an increase of 35 percent in the production of cabbage for fresh market and to a sharp decrease in tin allotments for packing kraut.

Total tonnage of vegetables for the fresh market was estimated at 7.1 million tons, compared with 6.56 million tons in 1941. The increase, on the whole, was attained through increased yields. Commercial acreage in 1942 was 1,687,000 acres, about 13,000 acres less than in 1941. Production in 1942 was smaller than in the previous season for the following major truck crops: asparagus, cantaloups, green peas, and watermelons.

Fall Crop Smaller Than Last Season

Indicated acreages for most fall crops are smaller than for last season As a result, the fall vegetable crop will be about 9 percent below that of 1941, even though indicated yields are much larger than those of last season.

Acreages of fall snap beans, early cabbage and onions, and fall tomatoes are indicated at this time to be considerably below last season, despite the fact that 1943 production goals asked that acreage for all these crops be maintained or increased. Prospective supplies for the next month are short

1/ Index of acreage, yield, production, price, and value for 17 fresh vegetables for shipment based on 1924-29 = 100.

for these vegetables. Prospective supplies for this period also are short for cauliflower, celery, cucumbers, eggplant, lettuce, and green peppers, on which the goals were materially reduced. The early carrot crop is the only early vegetable crop that is likely to exceed the production of last season. The goals ask for an increase in carrot acreage.

Vegetable Prices Gain Since September

Almost without exception, wholesale prices of vegetables on the New York and Chicago markets were well above last season, and have increased from September through December 19. Greatly increased demand and a reduced fall vegetable crop have been major contributing factors in the price rise. With small crops indicated for fall and early harvest, it is probable that vegetable prices will continue at relatively high levels.

Acreage Shifts Suggested in Fresh Vegetable Goals

Vegetable production goals ask for sharp increases in some crops and for reductions in others. The total 1943 acreage goal is about the same as the acreage in 1942. In connection with these shifts, price supports and other control measures have been considered. The Department has announced that it will endeavor to work out such price supports for fresh vegetables as may be necessary. Some vegetables may be supported indirectly through support prices for canned vegetables. Based on present crop indications, it appears that a support program will be needed to stimulate increased acreage of some "more essential" crops, particularly of crops whose prices were low last season, as was the case with cabbage and onions.

The 1943 goals ask for an increase of 10 to 30 percent in planted acreage of carrots, snap beans, lima beans, onions, sweet corn, and kale. In many areas significant reductions are recommended in the planted acreage of all melons, celery, lettuce, eggplant, cauliflower, and cucumbers.

Vegetable production in line with 1943 goals, assuming the average yields of recent years, will make possible in 1943 a civilian per capita consumption, after deducting military and other Government requirements, of about 7 to 10 percent less than the average per capita consumption during 1935-39. Good yields may make up this difference. However, it should be pointed out that the per capita civilian demand will be much greater in the year ahead than it was during 1935-39.

TRUCK CROPS FOR PROCESSING

Review of 1942 Season

Average prices received by growers of processing crops were roughly 35 percent higher than in the last season. Prices received by kraut-cabbage growers were lower in 1942 than in 1941 because of canning restrictions. On the whole, however, notwithstanding a relatively large production and restrictions on the canning of secondary and nonessential items, the unusually strong demand for most canning crops caused prices to range up to 60 percent above 1941 levels for spinach, 40 percent above for snap beans, and 30 percent above for peas and tomatoes.

The total tonnage of 11 important processing crops for 1942 was 5.76 million tons, about 13 percent above 1941. The canned pack resulting from this production, excluding baked beans and soups, was a record pack. Increases were especially large for snap beans, asparagus, green peas, corn, and spinach.

In order to stimulate the conversion from canned to bulk kraut in wooden barrels, the Agricultural Marketing Administration has agreed to pay kraut packers $1.00 for every 45-gallon barrel of bulk kraut sold in regular commercial channels, and has agreed to purchase after March 1 all bulk kraut still in packers' hands. In return for this subsidy, packers must agree to pay growers at least $7.50 per ton for domestic-type cabbage delivered at the plant.

A canned-beet purchase plan also was announced for New York and Pennsylvania, for the double purpose of preventing waste and providing supplies to meet Government requirements. Under this program, "the Agricultural Marketing Administration will receive offers from canners who agree to pay growers at least $15 per ton for the fresh beets ..." suitable for canning and delivered at the cannery. Successful bidders will be assisted in obtaining allocations of tin to pack the quantities accepted.

New Tin Restriction and Government Reservation Orders

Tin conservation order M-81, which controls the use of tin and other plating materials, was amended December 9. The amended order permits unlimited packs of the following vegetables: green asparagus, snap beans, lima beans, sweet corn, green peas, tomatoes, tomato juice, and such tomato products as pulp, paste, and sauce. For the most part, cans for unlimited packs were restricted to No. 2, 2-1/2, and 10 sizes. Soup quotas were cut to 50 percent of 1942 and the spinach quota was cut to 80 percent of the 1942 pack. Most other restricted packs were limited to Government requirements.

Government reservations under War Production Board Order M-86e range from 40 to 100 percent of the 1942 record vegetable pack. Canners are asked to set aside out of the 1943 vegetable pack a quantity equal to about half of the 1942 pack. In view of the fact that 1942 was an excellent growing season for vegetable crops, reservation of such quantities by the Government will leave civilian consumers with relatively small supplies if the vegetable pack is reduced next season. The following table compares estimated Government requirements from the pack of 1943 with the 1942 pack and with an average (1937-41) pack for six major vegetables. These vegetables represent about 80 percent of the canned vegetable pack, excluding baked beans and soups.

Canned vegetables: Government requirements from 1943 pack of six major canned vegetables, with pack comparisons

(Million cases, 24 No. 2s)

Commodity	Estimated Government requirements from 1943 pack 1/	Canned pack 1942 2/	Canned pack 1937-41 average
Asparagus	2.0	4.1	2.9
Beans, green and wax	10.0	17.5	8.7
Corn, sweet	13.0	31.0	20.0
Peas, green	17.0	35.5	23.8
Spinach	4.3	9.0	4.6
Tomatoes: whole	15.0	33.0	27.0
Pulp and puree	2.1	3.0	3.1
Juice	9.9	23.0	16.1
Total	73.3	156.1	106.2

1/ Based on War Production Board Order M-86e.
2/ Preliminary estimates.

Civilian supplies from the 1943 pack may be 25 percent smaller than in 1942, even though major vegetable packs are as large as last season. In view of the greatly increased consumer buying power accompanied by ceiling prices, rationing will be necessary to insure equal distribution of civilian supplies. The Office of Price Administration announced recently that preparations are being made to ration all canned vegetables.

Support Prices for 1943 to be Announced

Although definite pack goals have not been established in connection with the tin restriction order, the order indicates clearly the crops which are considered most desirable for next season. Moreover, the Department has announced that a series of specific support prices will be worked out before February 1 for snap beans, corn, peas, tomatoes, beets, carrots, pumpkin and squash for processing, and cabbage for kraut. In general, these support prices will be maintained through Government commitments to purchase the processed commodities from certified canners at levels which will support grower prices at about the same levels as in 1942. To become certified, a canner must agree to pay the growers certain specified minimum prices.

Potatoes: Unweighted price per 100 pounds for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted) at shipping points and terminal markets, specified periods, 1942, with comparisons

Location and variety	1941		1942			
	Month	Week ended	Month			Week ended
	Nov.	Dec. 20	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec. 19
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
F.o.b. shipping point:						
Central N. J. points	---	---	1.64	1.85	---	---
Presque Isle, Me.	1.26	1.38	1.49	1.61	1.81	1.80
Idaho Falls, Idaho	1.80	1.90	---	2.05	2.17	2.17
Rochester, N. Y.	1.29	1.42	1.64	1.73	1.95	1.99
Waupaca, Wisc.	1.09	1.19	1.55	1.72	2.06	---
Western Mich. points	1.22	1.45	---	1.61	1.80	1.90
San Luis Valley, Colo.	1.61	1.68	---	1.76	2.08	2.00
Western Nebr. points	1.62	1.92	---	1.89	2.02	2.05
Terminal markets:						
New York						
Chippewa, Long Island	1.77	1.78	1.77	2.00	2.20	2.20
Katahdins, Me.	---	---	---	---	2.30	2.30
" N. J.	1.59	---	1.74	---	---	---
Cobbler, L. I.	---	---	1.64	1.79	---	---
" N. J.	---	---	1.66	---	---	---
Green Mountains, L. I.	1.77	1.87	1/ 1.80	2.02	2.25	2.28
" " Me.	1.74	1.85	---	2.08	2.26	---
Russet Burbanks, Idaho	2.87	2.98	4.66	3.68	3.46	3.62
Excluding western stock	1.70	1.85	1.71	1.97	2.22	2.25
Chicago						
Bliss Triumphs, Minn. and N. D.	1.75	1.98	2.51	2.15	2.22	2.27
Bliss Triumphs, Nebr.	2.37	2.58	---	2.64	2.74	2.92
Cobblers, Minn. and N. D. 1/	1.40	1.48	1.85	1.77	1.83	2.12
Red McClures, Colo.	2.26	2.34	---	2.46	2.80	2.80
Russet Burbanks, Idaho	2.52	2.62	3.56	2.75	3.04	3.04
Excluding western stock	1.41	1.50	1.85	1.87	2.01	2.18

Compiled from records of the Agricultural Marketing Administration.

1/ Unwashed stock.

Potatoes: Acreage, yield, and production, average 1930-39, annual 1941 and 1942

Group and classification	Acreage			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average 1930-39	1941	1942	Average 1930-39	1941	1942	Average 1930-39	1941	1942
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
Early									
Total	432.3	495.6	505.0	89.5	95.2	105.6	38,929	47,198	53,331
Commercial	175.2	205.1	192.9	132.4	136.9	155.2	23,199	28,069	29,938
Other	257.1	290.5	312.1	61.1	65.8	75.0	15,730	19,129	23,393
Intermediate									
Total	318.3	258.9	260.5	104.1	114.6	118.1	33,089	29,658	30,765
Commercial	128.2	135.6	119.3	148.9	158.3	159.9	19,094	21,463	19,072
Other	190.1	123.3	141.2	73.6	66.5	82.8	13,995	8,195	11,693
18 surplus late									
Total	2,129.8	1,635.0	1,622.8	121.8	147.1	152.3	258,390	240,542	247,228
3 eastern	607.0	503.0	502.0	161.6	183.2	173.5	98,226	92,161	87,109
5 central	1,021.0	718.0	688.0	82.3	93.6	97.0	83,674	67,221	66,767
10 western	501.9	414.0	432.8	153.5	196.0	215.7	76,490	81,160	93,352
12 other late									
Total	415.2	321.5	322.8	95.9	118.8	123.4	39,637	38,204	39,826
5 eastern	61.9	56.4	58.3	149.8	158.6	160.0	9,237	8,947	9,328
5 central	345.0	259.0	258.0	86.7	110.8	114.7	29,771	28,696	29,596
2 western	8.3	6.1	6.5	75.7	92.0	138.8	629	561	902
30 late	2,545.0	1,956.5	1,945.6	117.5	142.5	147.5	298,027	278,746	287,054
37 late and intermediate	2,863.3	2,215.4	2,206.1	116.0	139.2	144.1	331,116	308,404	317,819
United States total	3,295.6	2,711.0	2,711.0	112.6	131.2	136.9	370,045	355,602	371,150
30 late									
8 eastern	668.9	559.4	560.3	160.7	180.7	172.1	107,463	101,108	96,437
10 central	1,366.0	977.0	946.0	83.0	98.2	101.9	113,445	95,917	96,359
12 western	510.2	420.1	439.3	151.2	194.5	214.6	77,119	81,721	94,258

Sweetpotatoes: Unweighted price per bushel for stock of generally good quality and condition (U.S. No. 1 when quoted) at New York and Chicago, indicated periods, 1942, with comparisons

Market and type	1941		1942			
	Month	Week	Month			Week
	Nov.	Dec. 20	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec. 19
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
New York						
Goldens, Maryland	1.43	1.64	1.48	1.25	1.34	1.55
" Virginia	1.08	---	1.21	.94	.98	---
" New Jersey	---	1.63	1.22	1.13	1.31	1.31
Jerseys, New Jersey	1.56	1.62	1.71	1.33	1.42	1.38
" Virginia	.96	---	1.20	.94	---	---
Puerto Ricans, North Carolina and South Carolina	1.34	1.42	1.92	1.73	1.68	2.06
Puerto Ricans, Virginia	1.02	---	1.51	1.29	1.12	---
All varieties	1.28	1.52	1.56	1.35	1.38	1.70
Chicago						
Jerseys, New Jersey 1/	2.49	2.52	---	2.30	2.66	2.40
" Illinois	1.68	1.51	---	2.06	2.16	2.36
" North Carolina	---	---	---	---	1.83	---
Nancy Halls, Illinois	1.25	1.16	1.93	1.69	2.19	2.38
" " Tennessee	.95	1.06	1.82	1.56	1.98	2.14
Puerto Ricans, Louisiana	1.33	1.45	2.28	1.96	1.95	2.44
" Tennessee	1.19	1.29	2.12	1.78	1.98	2.25
" Illinois	1.42	1.36	---	1.94	2.24	2.46
All varieties	1.42	1.36	2.05	1.80	2.06	2.24

Compiled from records of the Agricultural Marketing Administration.
1/ Red soil stock.

Sweetpotatoes: Acreage, yield per acre and production, average 1930-39, annual 1941 and 1942

Group of States	Acreage			Yield per acre			Production		
	Average 1930-39	1941	1942	Average 1930-39	1941	1942	Average 1930-39	1941	1942
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Bu.	Bu.	Bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.	1,000 bu.
4 Central Atlantic 1/	66	59	58	122.5	104.3	147.1	8,088	6,155	8,530
4 Lower Atlantic 2/	289	258	253	81.9	76.5	93.2	23,665	19,749	23,590
8 South Central 3/	485	399	366	77.8	82.1	81.6	37,717	32,753	29,855
5 North Central 4/	29	18	18	87.3	110.4	105.8	2,533	1,987	1,905
California	11	12	12	108.0	125.0	125.0	1,204	1,500	1,500
United States	882	746	707	83.0	83.3	92.4	73,208	62,144	65,380

1/ N. J., Del., Md., and Va. 2/ N. C., S. C., Ga., and Fla. 3/ Ky., Tenn., Ala., Miss., Ark., La., Okla., and Tex. 4/ Ind., Ill., Mo., Iowa, and Kans.

Beans, dry edible: Average wholesale price per 100 pounds at New York City, and f.o.b. quotations per 100 pounds at Colorado and Idaho points, 1941&42

Season beginning Sept.	Wholesale price, New York City								F.o.b. quotations 1/			
	Marrow		Lima (regular)		Pea		Red Kidney		Colo. points: Pinto		Idaho points: Great Northern	
	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942	1941	1942
	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Month:-												
Sept.	8.48	8.06	8.27	8.88	5.51	5.64	10.01	5.62	3.36	5.23	4.00	5.09
Oct.	7.51	8.00	8.37	9.30	5.50	5.65	7.66	6.21	3.92	5.28	4.08	5.15
Nov.	7.42	8.03	8.83	9.30	5.88	5.88	7.22	6.10	4.15	5.48	4.36	5.31
Week:-												
Dec. 5	7.18	8.00	9.25	9.30	5.70	6.15	7.02	6.15	4.00	5.45	4.22	5.40
" 12	7.74	8.00	9.55	9.30	6.19	6.35	7.29	6.20	4.55	5.45	4.55	5.40
" 19	7.88	8.00	9.62	9.30	6.00	6.35	7.42	6.20	4.40	5.42	4.40	5.40

Compiled as follows: New York prices from Producers Price Current; f.o.b. quotations from reports of the Federal-State Market News Service, San Francisco.
1/ Prices are for Wednesday of week shown.

Beans, dry edible: Acreage, yield per acre, and production, average 1930-39, annual 1941 and 1942

Group of States	Acreage			Yield per acre			Production 1/		
	Av. 1930-39	1941	1942	Av. 1930-39	1941	1942	Av. 1930-39	1941	1942
	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds	1,000 bags	1,000 bags	1,000 bags
Me., Vt., N. Y., Mich., Wis., and Minn. 2/	713	871	726	751.8	791.2	1,047.1	5,360	6,891	7,602
Nebr., Mont., Idaho, Wyo., Wash. and Oreg. 3/	196	231	280	1,223.0	1,521.2	1,429.6	2,397	3,514	4,003
Kans., Colo., N. Mex., Ariz. and Utah 4/	489	532	578	372.8	556.2	537.9	1,823	2,959	3,109
Calif. 5/	326	389	386	1,205.0	1,321.1	1,267.9	3,939	5,139	4,894
Total U. S.	1,724	2,023	1,970	789.1	914.6	995.3	13,510	18,503	19,608

1/ Bags of 100 pounds; includes beans for seed. 2/ Largely pea beans, but most important source of Red Kidney, Yelloweye, and Cranberry. 3/ Largely Great Northern but Idaho most important source of supply of Small Reds. 4/ Largely Pinto 5/ Miscellaneous varieties, mostly Lima, Baby Lima, Blackeye, Small White, and Pink.

Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted), specified periods 1942, with comparisons

Market and commodity	Unit	1941		1942			
		Month	Week ended	Month			Week ended
		Nov.	Dec. 20	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec. 19
		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
New York							
Beans, lima, western	Bu.	4.37	---	---	---	4.79	---
" " southern	"	---	2.75	---	---	---	5.03
" snap, green, eastern	"	---	---	1.86	2.84	---	---
" " southern	"	2.92	1.74	---	2.63	3.05	3.46
Beets, topped, eastern	"	.56	---	.56	.66	.77	.92
" bunched, southern	1/2 L.A. crate	---	2.06	---	---	1.85	2.46
Broccoli, eastern	1 doz. bunches	1.32	---	1.58	2.02	2.11	---
" western	Pony crate	3.62	3.81	4.77	5.24	6.01	6.44
Cabbage, domestic, eastern	1-1/2 bu. hamper	.70	---	.75	.66	.69	---
" Danish, N. Y.	50-lb. sack	.60	.85	.61	.56	.61	.99
" domestic, Fla.	1-1/2 bu. hamper	---	2.08	---	---	---	2.67
Cantaloups, salmon meat, western	Jumbo 36's&45's	---	---	5.08	4.53	---	---
Carrots, topped, eastern	Bu.	.88	1.09	1.21	1.21	1.47	2.24
" bunched, western	L.A. crate	4.64	4.88	4.80	5.41	7.12	6.08
Cauliflower, eastern	L.I. "	1.78	---	1.50	---	2.18	3.13
" western	Pony crate	1.71	2.02	---	---	---	3.29
Celery, Golden Heart:							
Eastern	10-inch crate	2.88	---	2.63	2.99	4.06	---
Western	1/2 crate	3.33	3.56	---	2.94	6.01	6.46
Cucumbers, southern	Bu.	4.15	2.94	---	5.23	4.66	7.42
Eggplant, southern	1-1/2 bu. hamper	2.15	1.90	---	5.34	4.86	4.40
Honeydews, western	Standard crate	2.03	---	2.35	2.41	3.16	---
Kale, eastern	Bu.	.42	.50	.52	.46	.52	.91
Lettuce, Iceberg, western	L.A. crate	3.72	5.60	6.06	5.40	6.74	5.44
Onions, yellow, eastern	50-lb. sack	1.56	1.84	1.30	1.45	1.56	1.83
" sweet Spanish, western	"	1.54	1.69	1.92	1.58	2.05	2.12
Parsnips, eastern	1/2 bu.	.60	.69	.64	.63	.62	.84
Peas, western	Bu.	2.94	3.04	3.34	5.03	4.81	5.50
" southern	"	---	2.15	---	---	4.00	4.31
Peppers, green, eastern	"	---	---	.73	.92	1.22	---
" " southern	1-1/2 bu.	2.85	2.35	---	4.00	3.53	2.96
Rutabagas, waxed, Canada	50-lb. sack	.81	.82	.81	.86	.85	.85
Spinach, eastern	Bu.	1.07	---	1.15	.92	1.21	---
" southern	"	---	1.34	---	---	1.44	2.25
Squash, acorn, eastern	"	.68	.52	.93	.99	1.64	3.25
" Hubbard, eastern	1-1/2 bu.	.69	.70	.98	.85	.96	1.18
" yellow, southern	Bu.	3.23	3.75	---	---	2.19	2.56
Tomatoes, western	Lug	3.43	---	---	3.66	3.56	---
" southern	"	3.20	2.81	---	---	4.10	4.22
" hothouse	8 lb. basket	1.29	1.75	---	1.50	1.57	---

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Truck crops: Unweighted average wholesale price at New York and Chicago for stock of generally good quality and condition (U. S. No. 1 when quoted), specified periods 1942, with comparisons - Continued

Market and commodity	Unit	1941 Month Nov.	1941 Week ended Dec. 20	1942 Month Sept.	1942 Month Oct.	1942 Month Nov.	1942 Week ended Dec. 19
		Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.	Dol.
Chicago							
Beans, snap, green, midwestern	Bu.	---	---	2.11	3.61	---	---
" " " southern	"	2.98	2.10	---	3.10	3.05	2.9[illegible]
Beets, topped, midwestern	"	.65	.72	.70	.67	.99	1.[illegible]
" bunched, southern	1/2 L.A. crate	---	1.63	---	---	1.89	1.[illegible]
Broccoli, western	Pony crate	3.67	3.10	3.88	4.65	5.37	5.[illegible]
" southern	" "	---	2.34	---	---	---	4.[illegible]
Cabbage, domestic, western	L.A. crate	2.62	3.00	---	---	---	4.[illegible]
" " midwestern	60-70 lb. crate	---	---	.80	.89	.85	---
" Danish, midwestern	50-lb. sack	.68	.87	.80	.89	.75	.[illegible]
" domestic, Texas	L.A. crate	---	2.98	---	---	---	3.[illegible]
Cantaloups, salmon meat, western	Jumbo crate	---	---	3.87	4.20	---	---
Carrots, topped, midwestern	Bu.	.88	1.00	.94	.84	1.29	1.[illegible]
" bunched, western	L.A. crate	3.96	4.38	3.90	4.70	6.11	5.[illegible]
Cauliflower, midwestern	Crate (12-16 heads)	1.60	---	1.33	1.54	1.60	---
" western	Pony crate	1.70	1.81	1.60	1.79	1.94	3.[illegible]
Celery, Golden Heart:							
Midwestern	Square crate	.94	---	.76	.86	1.62	1.[illegible]
Western	1/2 L.A. crate	3.07	3.26	---	3.50	5.41	[illegible]
Cucumbers, southern	Bu.	4.88	3.90	---	4.55	4.95	[illegible]
Eggplant, Fla.	1-1/2 bu. crate	2.28	2.20	---	---	4.91	4.[illegible]
Honeydews, western	Standard and jumbo crate	1.76	---	2.13	2.23	2.64	---
Kale, midwestern	Bu.	.68	.75	.55	.52	.58	---
Lettuce, Iceberg, western	L.A. crate	3.13	4.78	5.24	4.85	6.15	5.[illegible]
Onions, yellow, midwestern	50-lb. sack	1.32	1.50	.98	1.01	1.14	1.[illegible]
" sweet Spanish, western 1/	" "	---	1.38	1.62	---	1.68	1.[illegible]
Parsnips, midwestern	Bu.	1.40	1.22	1.92	1.34	1.31	1.[illegible]
Peas, pole, western	"	3.06	3.25	3.10	4.79	4.48	5.[illegible]
Peppers, green, midwestern	"	---	---	.86	1.71	---	---
" " western	1-1/2 Bu.	2.91	---	3.50	5.38	4.51	---
" " southern	1-1/2 "	3.10	3.12	---	5.00	3.93	3.[illegible]
Rutabagas, waxed, Canada	50-lb. sack	.75	.79	.85	.78	.77	[illegible]
Spinach, flat type, midwestern	Bu.	1.26	---	1.22	1.01	1.05	---
Spinach, flat type, southern	"	---	.89	---	---	---	1.[illegible]
Squash, acorn, midwestern	"	.53	---	.60	.51	1.04	---
" Hubbard, midwestern	Ton	20.00	30.00	19.00	19.50	45.00	---
Tomatoes, western	Lug	2.74	---	2.68	3.26	3.52	---
" Fla.	"	---	3.12	---	---	---	4.[illegible]
" Tex.	"	2.82	2.68	---	---	3.54	2.[illegible]
" hothouse, midwestern	8 lb. basket	1.33	1.62	---	1.57	1.78	1.[illegible]

Compiled from records of the Agricultural Marketing Administration.

1/ 3-inch minimum.

Truck crops for market: Commercial acreage, yield per acre, and production, 1932-41, annual 1942 and indicated 1943

Commodity	Acreage: Av. 1932-41	Acreage: 1942	Acreage: Indicated 1943	Unit	Yield per acre: Av. 1932-41	Yield per acre: 1942	Yield per acre: Indicated 1943	Production: Av. 1932-41	Production: 1942	Production: Indicated 1943
	Acres	Acres	Acres					Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Artichokes:										
Calif.	8,970	9,600	8,800	Box	97	90	---	860	864	---
Asparagus 1/:										
Early	84,770	82,340	81,060		---	---	---	---	---	---
Late	31,270	49,055	51,530		---	---	---	---	---	---
Beans, snap:										
Fall 2/	18,020	19,300	15,200	Bu.	104	127	130	1,867	2,450	1,974
Beets:										
Early	6,630	7,100	7,600	"	132	140	---	879	994	---
Cabbage 1/:										
Fall 2/	2,270	3,050	3,450	Ton	6.3	6.0	3.6	14.3	18.3	12.4
Early	43,680	65,080	56,100	"	5.3	6.7	---	231.0	436.9	---
Second early	20,650	19,300	18,300	"	4.8	4.4	---	100.1	84.2	---
Carrots 1/:										
Fall 2/	7,470	8,680	8,750	Bu.	485	490	516	3,566	4,253	4,515
Early	11,020	14,750	18,000	"	157	201	---	1,729	2,962	---
Cauliflower:										
Fall & winter 2/	9,480	9,990	8,050	Crate	265	274	276	2,512	2,735	2,220
Celery:										
Fall & winter 2/	8,780	9,500	8,550	"	203	270	259	1,799	2,565	2,138
Early	6,230	8,230	7,300	"	375	341	---	2,336	2,806	---
Cucumbers:										
Fall 2/	1,690	2,000	1,900	Bu.	78	90	90	133	180	171
Eggplant:										
Fall 2/	1,350	2,000	1,300	"	143	162	126	193	324	164
Escarole:										
Fla.	870	1,200	1,250	Hamper	306	270	320	261	324	400
Kale:										
Va.	1,410	1,800	1,600	Bu.	390	520	450	532	936	720
Lettuce:										
Early	38,050	38,300	34,850	Crate	126	149	---	4,803	5,690	---
Onions:										
Early	50,230	42,500	34,300	Sack	39	67	---	1,984	2,840	---
Peppers, green:										
Fall 2/	3,320	4,600	3,000	Bu.	162	183	210	537	842	630
Shallots:										
Fall (La.)	2,720	2,800	2,700	"	104	132	130	284	370	351
Spinach:										
Fall 2/	2,480	1,300	2,100	"	258	225	239	663	292	483
Early	42,230	47,000	45,050	"	170	169	---	7,168	7,934	---
Tomatoes:										
Fall 2/	8,360	17,300	10,500	"	68	55	107	567	952	1,120
Total above	411,950	466,775	431,240		---	---	---	---	---	---
Total where 1943 production is given	68,220	83,520	68,350	Ton	4.50	4.73	5.27	307	395	360

1/ Includes undetermined quantities used for processing. 2/ Fall crop States supply earliest new crop movement, starting in fall preceding year shown.

Truck crops for market: Commercial acreage, production, and farm price per unit, average 1931-40, annual 1941 and 1942

Commodity	Acreage			Unit	Production			Price per unit		
	Av. 1931-40	1941	1942		Av. 1931-40	1941	1942	Av. 1931-40	1941	1942
	Acres	Acres	Acres		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
rtichokes (Calif.)	8,720	10,000	9,600	Box	872	700	864	1.70	2.10	1.80
sparagus 1/:										
Early	39,920	46,180	35,170	Crate	2,950	3,361	2,713	1.37	1.76	1.96
Late	31,530	46,080	49,530	"	3,520	5,858	6,326	1.31	1.43	1.61
eans, lima:										
Early	3,310	7,000	5,000	Bu.	236	280	325	1.76	2.20	2.10
Second early	4,680	7,400	6,300	"	232	320	279	1.18	1.16	1.46
Interm. (1)	1,360	1,500	1,400	"	73	75	77	1.18	1.40	1.80
Interm. (2)	8,190	8,300	8,780	"	589	817	867	1.39	1.43	1.84
Late	930	850	800	"	48	38	20	1.40	1.40	1.85
eans, snap:										
Fall	17,470	21,600	19,300	"	1,702	2,751	2,450	1.14	.81	1.46
Early (1)	23,380	26,500	21,000	"	1,949	1,590	1,785	1.66	2.50	2.30
Early (2)	30,170	27,150	32,150	"	2,790	2,540	2,621	1.18	1.79	1.96
Second early	25,680	23,100	21,400	"	1,421	1,519	1,555	.82	1.18	1.26
Interm. (1)	15,420	11,100	10,300	"	1,014	580	717	.74	.99	1.03
Interm. (2)	13,890	12,210	12,620	"	1,431	1,087	1,208	.82	1.16	1.2
Interm. (3)	6,820	6,350	7,950	"	620	454	839	.62	1.13	1.13
Late (1)	11,880	14,630	14,640	"	1,446	1,914	2,408	.92	1.23	1.32
Late (2)	11,410	10,750	9,400	"	954	698	903	.80	1.19	1.52
Late (3)	10,200	11,200	11,240	"	1,000	1,101	1,171	.96	1.49	2.02
eets:										
Early	6,500	7,800	7,100	"	908	1,014	994	.24	.18	.36
Second early	1,880	1,220	1,150	"	260	202	176	.48	.74	.99
Intermediate	2,450	2,200	1,980	"	683	482	475	.66	.70	.92
Late	640	1,050	1,150	"	262	410	483	.68	.60	.75
abbage:										
Fall	2,160	2,620	3,050	Ton	13.1	22.5	18.3	21.30	17.87	34.59
Early	43,210	41,100	64,780	"	233.4	218.6	435.0	14.74	25.69	14.35
Second early	20,580	19,600	19,300	"	100.9	94.1	84.2	19.23	18.63	18.80
Interm. (1)	12,600	10,180	11,260	"	73.7	68.5	71.3	19.38	20.57	28.92
Interm. (2)	14,220	12,150	12,830	"	78.3	62.5	92.0	14.21	25.28	18.08
Late (1)	31,540	23,770	25,580	"	254.4	201.5	238.0	11.89	20.22	20.26
Late (2)										
Danish	33,690	31,940	33,250	"	281.0	289.2	350.8	11.14	17.78	11.53
antaloups:										
Early	33,380	19,220	19,450	Crate	4,644	2,538	2,442	1.25	1.74	2.36
Second early	43,950	64,690	51,000	"	4,876	6,984	5,507	.89	1.22	2.25
Intermediate	21,710	20,810	17,760	"	2,232	2,115	1,798	.72	.77	1.61
Late	25,450	21,650	17,250	"	2,969	2,175	1,713	.89	1.19	1.86

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Truck crops for market: Commercial acreage, production, and farm price per unit, average 1931-40, annual 1941 and 1942 - Continued

Commodity	Acreage			Unit	Production			Price per unit		
	Av. 1931-40	1941	1942		Av. 1931-40	1941	1942	Av. 1931-40	1941	1942
	Acres	Acres	Acres		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Carrots: 1/										
Fall	6,920	8,200	7,930	Bu.	2,592	2,706	2,926	.84	.86	1.06
Early	15,300	21,750	23,400	"	3,339	5,373	5,938	.58	.71	1.00
Second early	9,380	8,850	9,930	"	3,068	2,982	3,289	.80	.84	1.21
Intermediate	2,790	3,260	3,330	"	915	971	1,102	.64	.76	1.13
Late	9,340	14,320	16,440	"	3,418	6,002	6,972	.56	.70	1.08
Cauliflower:										
Fall & winter	9,420	9,680	9,990	Crate	2,461	2,686	2,735	.59	.54	.82
Early	8,430	8,320	7,930	"	2,474	2,057	2,360	.64	.75	.90
Late (1)	8,900	9,100	9,150	"	2,145	2,786	2,681	.75	.91	1.12
Late (2)	4,120	5,050	5,300	"	1,127	995	1,749	.57	1.20	1.33
Celery:										
Fall & winter	8,580	9,570	9,500	"	1,720	2,392	2,565	1.50	1.52	2.00
Early	6,060	7,300	8,230	"	2,332	2,499	2,806	1.91	2.84	2.68
Second early	3,640	4,550	4,850	"	1,443	1,975	1,668	1.95	2.59	2.43
Intermediate	4,970	5,120	5,320	"	1,282	1,675	1,704	1.72	2.18	2.70
Late (1)	12,390	12,830	12,500	"	3,281	4,030	4,133	1.20	1.60	2.40
Late (2)	1,540	1,800	1,460	"	419	514	371	1.33	1.33	2.49
Corn, sweet 1/										
N. J.	24,300	21,000	21,000	Ear	114,510	111,300	107,100	11.18	15.00	17.00
N. Y.	19,910	24,500	20,600	"	100,600	129,800	113,300	9.28	14.40	16.40
Pa.	10,250	11,000	10,000	"	47,225	56,100	53,500	10.90	12.20	14.50
Cucumbers:										
Fall	1,680	1,800	2,000	Bu.	128	189	180	1.74	1.50	2.60
Early (1)	11,160	8,800	10,800	"	844	965	912	1.39	1.72	1.97
Early (2)	12,480	10,900	8,900	"	1,273	1,273	1,173	.82	1.15	1.65
Second early	5,250	4,250	4,650	"	363	410	372	.66	1.07	.99
Intermediate	9,220	8,900	9,000	"	1,147	1,169	1,233	.64	.84	1.26
Late (1)	3,760	5,420	5,450	"	492	709	758	.93	1.20	1.70
Late (2)	1,580	2,150	1,350	"	110	96	77	.98	1.08	2.77
Eggplant:										
Fall	1,390	1,400	2,000	"	207	192	340	.80	.96	.84
Early	800	700	800	"	268	238	280	.80	1.30	1.40
Second early	580	550	500	"	82	77	72	.78	.90	1.20
Late	1,150	1,500	1,500	"	322	375	412	.48	.50	.80
Escarole:										
Fla.	860	1,000	1,200	Hamper	261	373	480	.96	.98	.68
Garlic 2/										
Calif.	2,060	2,210	2,950	Sack	119	133	192	3.96	10.50	4.20
La.	610	770	1,200	"	8	11	17	3.92	6.00	4.00
Tex.	1,340	1,000	700	"	20	11	10	2.62	2.75	3.00
Kale:										
Va.	1,780	1,700	1,600	Bu.	619	884	440	.34	.23	.55

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Truck crops for market: Commercial acreage, production, and farm price per unit, average 1931-40, annual 1941 and 1942 - Continued

Commodity	Acreage				Production			Price per unit		
	Av. 1931-40	1941	1942	Unit	Av. 1931-40	1941	1942	Av. 1931-40	1941	1942
	Acres	Acres	Acres		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Lettuce:										
Early	40,390	36,500	38,300	Crate	4,809	5,261	5,690	1.40	1.40	2.18
Second early	46,350	55,240	60,750	"	5,342	6,541	6,904	1.65	1.94	1.88
Intermediate	4,780	4,520	3,950	"	924	925	836	.86	1.35	1.76
Late (1)	30,960	30,470	23,490	"	4,396	5,512	5,209	1.40	1.78	3.23
Late (2)	33,530	30,250	30,000	"	4,508	4,803	5,219	1.40	1.55	3.28
Mint:										
Peppermint	---	32,490	41,195	Lb. of oil	---	958	1,365	---	3.38	4.83
Spearmint	---	6,750	7,765	"	---	239	335	---	2.21	2.90
Onions 2/										
Early	51,710	21,380	42,430	Sack	2,075	1,293	2,815	1.58	2.90	1.80
Interm. (1)	15,100	16,550	25,800	"	1,011	873	1,626	1.32	2.99	1.48
Interm. (2)	6,360	6,660	7,150	"	786	725	711	1.30	2.23	1.87
Late	56,700	54,220	60,640	"	11,156	12,316	13,497	1.11	2.14	1.78
Peas, green:										
Early	12,470	17,000	18,800	Bu.	908	1,310	1,219	1.55	1.46	1.56
Second early	44,170	25,700	20,660	"	2,898	1,826	1,645	1.15	1.57	1.69
Interm. (1)	5,350	2,650	2,390	"	365	83	137	.73	.87	.90
Interm. (2)	4,280	3,450	2,300	"	308	371	207	.80	.94	1.90
Late (1)	18,580	21,800	21,400	"	2,091	2,815	2,507	.92	.85	1.31
Late (2)	3,880	3,200	1,300	"	378	267	65	.69	.30	
Late (3)	11,250	9,050	4,380	"	1,187	1,117	435	1.64	1.89	2.71
Late (4)	5,730	2,700	250	"	240	122	12	1.69	1.40	2.50
Peppers, green:										
Fall	3,200	4,600	4,600	"	525	748	896	1.05	1.17	1.04
Early	5,310	5,100	4,700	"	1,355	1,044	1,288	1.01	1.68	1.98
Second early	1,520	1,670	1,470	"	260	314	210	.65	.61	1.14
Interm. (1)	1,240	2,300	2,200	"	231	391	330	.57	.65	1.15
Interm. (2)	6,490	7,500	8,000	"	1,669	1,500	1,720	.39	.55	.65
Late	1,800	2,750	1,900	"	523	729	542	.69	.95	1.50
Shallots (La.):										
Fall	2,900	2,200	2,800	"	302	229	370	.80	.90	.85
Spring	2,370	1,900	2,400	"	285	266	312	.68	.95	.78
Spinach 1/:										
Fall	2,280	2,700	1,300	"	596	783	292	.50	.38	.57
Early	41,400	39,450	47,000	"	7,354	6,686	7,934	.39	.49	.54
Second early	10,510	9,810	9,580	"	3,019	2,565	2,829	.43	.46	.50
Intermediate	3,330	4,000	4,400	"	1,278	1,110	1,252	.49	.57	.83
Late	7,790	8,190	8,000	"	2,156	2,042	2,514	.43	.59	.74
Tomatoes:										
Fall:	7,350	13,000	15,100	"	510	830	789	2.21	2.14	2.73
Early (1)	12,840	7,000	16,500	"	1,867	805	1,650	2.24	3.20	4.00
Early (2)	32,030	34,000	43,900	"	2,554	3,349	4,055	1.95	2.98	2.89
Second early	46,850	46,500	44,500	"	3,672	3,102	3,598	1.11	1.28	1.66
Intermediate	43,780	46,870	47,580	"	5,974	6,923	7,196	.83	1.12	1.52
Late (1)	41,510	45,560	48,150	"	6,328	7,819	8,313	.81	1.17	1.62
Late (2)	8,140	5,800	4,500	"	1,225	1,247	814	1.50	1.57	3.72
Watermelons 3/:										
Early	30,280	30,600	27,000	Melon	10,531	9,435	9,930	156	220	243
Second early	165,070	158,900	118,900	"	34,284	30,944	26,745	93	127	200
Late	63,090	66,830	53,500	"	22,769	24,107	20,545	99	109	260
Total above 4/	1,713,530	1,699,720	1,686,900	Ton	6,339	6,556	7,084	---	---	---

1/ Includes undetermined quantities used for processing. Price of corn based on 1,000 ears. 2/ Sack of 100 pounds. 3/ Price based on 1,000 melons.
4/ Excludes mint.

Truck crops and potatoes: Carlot (rail and boat) shipments from originating points in the United States, selected periods 1942, with comparisons 1/

Commodity	1941 Month			1941 Week ended	1942 Month			1942 Week ended
	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec. 20	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec. 19
	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars	Cars
Asparagus	---	16	5	---	---	6	1	---
Beans, snap and lima,								
old crop	10	174	38	---	28	307	45	---
new crop	---	17	525	185	---	127	882	207
Beets, old crop	38	30	85	7	36	112	174	15
new crop	---	---	10	11	---	---	28	20
Broccoli	57	132	182	50	55	57	82	18
Cabbage, old crop	181	1,389	1,166	333	935	2,328	2,218	483
new crop	---	7	80	148	---	1	77	186
Cantaloups and similar melons	2,486	712	37	---	2,294	616	27	---
Carrots, old crop	823	605	273	32	1,004	1,345	787	102
new crop	---	411	837	350	1	424	723	364
Cauliflower	492	583	608	256	651	1,000	580	117
Celery, old crop	810	842	442	15	789	1,017	678	7
new crop	35	359	2,225	558	54	150	1,416	674
Corn, green	100	51	2	---	129	34	---	---
Cucumbers	135	109	76	5	169	117	74	2
Eggplant	---	5	7	---	---	---	---	---
Escarole	---	---	39	45	---	---	56	48
Greens, except spinach	---	46	152	25	25	54	74	45
Lettuce and romaine,								
old crop	4,314	735	388	---	3,974	922	333	---
new crop	---	3,813	3,629	1,336	4	3,595	3,538	1,082
Mixed vegetables	1,306	1,537	1,923	766	1,794	1,410	2,013	711
Onions	3,854	3,641	2,491	518	4,161	4,077	2,587	543
Peas, green, old crop	358	330	425	20	206	129	79	4
new crop	---	---	---	27	---	---	---	2
Peppers, old crop	5	65	184	32	24	92	181	30
new crop	---	13	62	31	---	14	216	73
Spinach, old crop	104	31	11	---	86	64	26	---
new crop	---	---	311	227	---	---	245	242
Sweetpotatoes	878	1,111	1,145	302	1,026	1,575	1,704	252
Tomatoes, old crop	2,819	2,080	916	45	3,780	2,117	1,248	71
new crop	---	7	273	92	---	1	290	110
Turnips and rutabagas,								
old crop	34	90	50	5	69	147	75	20
new crop	---	9	---	3	26	28	3	5
Watermelons	132	1	---	---	137	2	1	---
Total above	19,571	19,251	18,597	5,414	21,457	21,868	20,451	5,433
Potatoes, total	11,306	16,716	14,158	3,632	15,162	22,572	15,596	3,471
Early 1942 crop	13	2	4	---	36	---	3	---
Early 1943 crop	---	---	---	35	---	---	5	21
Intermediate	1,481	623	164	6	1,600	796	292	14
Late	9,812	16,091	13,990	3,591	13,526	21,776	15,296	3,436
Grand total 2/	30,877	35,967	32,755	9,046	36,619	44,440	36,047	8,904

Compiled from records of the Agriculture Marketing Administration.
1/Not including shipments by truck. 2/Includes relief shipments in 1941 and Government purchases (relief and lend-lease) in 1942 as follows; 1941-Sept. 632 cars, Oct. 30 cars. 1942-Sept. 130 cars, Oct. 199 cars, Nov. 564 cars.

Truck crops for commercial processing: Acreage, production, and price per ton, average 1931-40, annual 1941 and 1942

Crop	Acreage			Production			Price per ton		
	10-year average 1931-40	1941	1942	10-year average 1931-40	1941	1942	10-year average 1931-40	1941	1942
	Acres	Acres	Acres	Tons	Tons	Tons	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Asparagus	44,180	39,550	48,460	49,650	37,970	51,820	71.64	106.55	118.15
Beans, lima (Shelled)	34,010	62,650	69,160	19,510	38,090	39,280	64.43	71.25	80.24
Beans, snap	52,190	87,800	131,060	84,200	144,320	227,400	43.99	53.40	75.38
Beets	7,920	17,790	16,710	46,000	133,000	119,500	11.15	13.11	14.00
Cabbage (Sauerkraut)	19,610	23,480	14,770	152,500	211,000	159,100	7.00	9.70	7.89
Corn, sweet (Corn in the husk)	313,370	444,270	468,510	678,300	1,135,700	1,243,900	9.33	9.68	13.50
Cucumbers (Pickles)	78,220	112,800	108,020	124,752	202,536	201,552	23.76	28.76	33.34
Peas, green (Shelled)	273,040	361,390	438,070	209,740	345,620	426,980	49.52	48.67	63.93
Pimientos	13,180	12,740	14,060	17,560	11,140	20,580	30.87	33.75	41.84
Spinach	17,430	19,940	46,240	45,340	44,900	114,400	14.14	24.03	38.72
Tomatoes	372,800	460,450	590,070	1,634,800	2,802,200	3,152,700	12.02	15.06	19.37
Total all crops	1,225,950	1,642,860	1,945,130	3,062,352	5,106,476	5,757,212	16.63	18.71	25.44

Vegetables, frozen: Cold-storage holdings, December 1, 1942, with comparisons

Commodity	1941			1942		
	Oct. 1	Nov. 1	Dec. 1	Oct. 1	Nov. 1	Dec. 1
	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.	1,000 lb.
Asparagus	7,131	6,878	6,545	7,307	6,863	5,928
Beans, lima	20,171	21,020	19,691	20,482	21,017	15,171
Beans, snap	8,414	7,681	7,059	11,635	10,659	5,905
Broccoli, green	461	1,168	1,949	835	976	839
Corn, sweet	9,088	8,790	7,805	8,456	9,168	6,836
Peas, green	39,080	34,571	31,143	50,242	44,991	34,866
Spinach	2,633	4,578	9,205	4,478	5,471	5,424
Other vegetables	3,433	9,766	5,965	3,303	6,333	8,252
Classification not reported	8,827	4,387	11,078	11,058	10,332	32,120
Total	99,238	98,839	100,440	117,796	115,810	115,341

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